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 $\underline{\mathbb{1}}$ 1. Post received a congratulatory letter from President Bingu wa Mutharika for President Bush on the occasion of the U.S. Independence Day. Text of the letter follows in paragraph 2.

12. Begin text:

As you celebrate your country's national day, today, the government and people of the Republic of Malawi happily join me in extending to your excellency, the government and the people of the United States of America, my sincere congratulations and best wishes.

I am hopeful that the ties of friendship and cooperation that exist between our two governments and peoples will continue to flourish for the mutual benefit of our two nations.

I wish your excellency personal good health and happiness as well as prosperity to the people of the United States of America.

Dr. Bingu Wa Mutharika President of the Republic of Malawi

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